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SUBJECT: DISARMING THE KHAMPAS

REF: KATHMANDU 3177 AND PREVIOUS

1. HOME MINISTER SHRESTHA REPORTED TO NATIONAL PANCHAYAT AUGUST 7 ON PROGRESS OF POLICE SEARCH FOR WEAPONS IN KHAMPA CAMPS IN MUSTANG DISTRICT.

2. SEARCH OPERATION, WHICH ACCORDING TO SHRESTHA IS PROCEEDING PEACEFULLY, HAS SO FAR YIELDED FOLLOWING ARMS: 91 RIFLES, 24 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, 2 PISTOLS, 5 CANNON, 274 GRENADES, 215 LARGE BORE SHELLS, OVER 31,000 PIECES OF AMMUNITION AND 1 RADIO SET. THESE FIGURES, HE POINTED OUT, WERE IN ADDITION TO HIS PREVIOUS ESTIMATE (REFTEL THAT 60 PERCENT OF KHAMPA ARMS HAD BEEN SURRENDERED VOLUNTARILY PRIOR TO JULY 31.

3. COMMENT: SHRESTHA'S ANNOUNCEMENT BROKE VIRTUAL SILENCE
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BY HMG SINCE POLICE WERE ORDERED INTO CAMPS. IMPRESSION IS

THAT POLICE OPERATION IS ORDERLY ONE WHICH IS MAKING
SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WITHOUT RESORT TO VIOLENCE. ALTHOUGH
WE CANNOT JUDGE ACCURACY OF SHRESTHA'S EARLIER ESTIMATE
THAT 60 PERCENT OF ARMS PRESENT HAD BEEN TURNED IN, FIGURES
HE PROVIDED YESTERDAY STRIKE US AS SIGNIFICANT HAUL WHICH
PROBABLY REPRESENT CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF REMAINING WEAPONS
IN THE AREA.

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